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Examiner: G. Gabel
Applicant: Ying Ding, Brian Halsall and William R. Heineman
Title: **SIMULTANEOUS MULTIANALYTE ELECTROCHEMICAL
ASSAY BASED ON SPATIAL RESOLUTION**

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SUBMISSION RESPONSE TO PRIOR FINAL OFFICE ACTION

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed September 13, 2001, Applicants respectfully request that the above-identified application be reconsidered.

REMARKS

Claims 1-5 and 10 are pending and stand rejected. Applicants have reviewed once again the limitations that the Examiner believes to be new matter, and respectfully assert that the specification and claims are fully supported in the application as originally filed and contain no new matter.

Applicants respectfully request reconsideration for the following reasons.